NOTICE OF A CITIZENS' INFORMATIONAL WORKSHOP FOR THE PROPOSED REPLACEMENT OF BRIDGE NUMBER 490098 OVER FISHER CREEK ON FISHER CREEK ROAD (STATE ROAD 1446) IN SYLVA

Express Design-Build Bridge Replacement Project WBS No. 17BP.14.R.83

Jackson County

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) will hold a public meeting, known as a Citizens' Informational Workshop, for the above-mentioned proposed bridge replacement project on Tuesday, March 12, 2013. It will be held between 7 and 9 pm at the Jackson County Justice Center, located at 401 Grindstaff Cove Road, Sylva.

The NCDOT proposes to replace the existing bridge (Bridge No. 490098) over Fisher Creek on Fisher Creek Road (S.R. 1446) with a wider structure that meets current design standards. The existing bridge was built in 1958, and is considered structurally deficient, which means it is safe, but deteriorating, in relatively poor condition, and needs to be replaced. The proposed bridge construction will be staged to maintain one-lane, two-way traffic (temporary one-lane bridge). The bridge construction will extend no longer than a period of 180 days. Construction of the new bridge is scheduled for April of this year.

The proposed structure will have two (2) 10-foot travel lanes (one in each direction).

Anyone desiring additional information may contact Virginia Mabry of the NCDOT Transportation Program Management Unit – Priority Projects Office at 1595 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1595, by phone at (919) 707-6604 or via email at vmabry@ncdot.gov.

NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who want to participate in this workshop. Anyone requiring special services should contact NCDOT Senior Public Involvement Officer Jamille Robbins at (919) 707-6085 as early as possible so that arrangements can be made.

For persons who speak Spanish and do not speak English, or have a limited ability to read, speak, or understand English, interpretive services will be available at the meeting upon request. For more information, please call 1-800-481-6494 prior to the meeting.